HOUSE BILL 2216

By Powell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 9, Part 6, relative to child passenger restraint systems.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-9-602(a), is amended by deleting subdivision (2) and substituting instead the following:

Notwithstanding § 55-9-603, any person transporting any child, one through three (1-3) years of age weighing greater than twenty pounds (20 lbs.), in a motor vehicle upon a road, street or highway of this state is responsible for the protection of the child and properly using a child passenger restraint system, meeting federal motor vehicle safety standards in the rear seat if available or according to the child safety restraint system or vehicle manufacturer's instructions.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016, the public welfare requiring it.